THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE L.NARASIMHA REDDY

WRIT PETITION NO : 22072 of 2005

Between:

Rama Krishna Junior College (aided)

(High School Section), Allur, Nellore

District, reptd by its Secretary and

Correspondent-Sri A.Sitarami Reddy

..... PETITIONER

AND

The Government of Andhra Pradesh, reptd

By its Secretary, Education Department,

Secretariat, Hyderabad and three others.

.....RESPONDENTS

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ORDER:

The petitioner is an Aided College at Allur, Nellore District. Its grievance is that the respondents have not released the maintenance grant for the last several years. It is contended that the petitioner is entitled to be granted such a grant under G.O.Ms.No.320, dated 16.09.1994. The petitioner claims to have made a representation on 22.08.2005 and complains that the respondents have not taken any action thereon.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Pleader for School Education.

A perusal of G.O.Ms.No.320 Education (PS-2) Department, dated 16.09.1994, discloses that in addition to various other benefits, the aided institutions are entitled to be provided the maintenance grant. The percentage of such grant is also indicated for different periods. It is not in dispute that the petitioner is an aided technical College. Once the grant-in-aid towards other items such as salary of the teaching and non-teaching staff members is being released, there is no reason why the petitioner-College can be denied the maintenance grant. The representation made by the petitioner cannot be kept pending indefinitely.

For the foregoing reasons, the writ petition is disposed of, directing the respondents to take necessary steps on the representation, dated 22.08.2005, made by the petitioner, in accordance with G.O.Ms.No.320, dated 16.09.1994, within a period of two months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. No order as to costs.

07.10.2005

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